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## OFFICE OF LICENSING AND MONITORING

DATE:

February 27, 2015

TO:

All Residential Child Care Providers

FROM:

Darlene Ham, Executive Director

RE:

Tuberculosis Testing Solution

The Center for Tuberculosis Control and Prevention (CTBCP) of the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH) reports the Tuberculosis testing solution shortage has ended. CTBCP recommends individuals seeking TB skin test should call their health care provider to inquire if the provider has the TB skin test available. CTBCP also recommends getting a blood test to detect tuberculosis. Individuals requesting the blood test must have health insurance.

Be advised, now that the shortage has ended all T.B. skin tests for new employees, regularly scheduled screenings for current employees are required to be tested.

Please contact your Licensing Coordinator with any questions regarding the recommendations for TB testing. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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